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DUMB & DUMBER DIRECTOR HAS COME A LONG WAY SINCE THE SHAGGIN' WAGON, BUT HE'S STILL NOT AFRAID TO ASK BIG STARS LIKE HALLE BERRY TO GET RAUNCHY PAGE 17

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## Even Oprah can have a moment of BRAIN FREEZE

Speaking at the Scotiabank Saddledome Tuesday, Oprah Winfrey was quickly corrected by the audience after mistakenly referring to Calgary as Edmonton, where she spoke the previous night. Winfrey blamed the cold in the capital city for her minor mix-up. "Ya'll should have invited me in July for that Stampede!" she said. Story, page 3. GREG PAUPST/CONTRIBUTED

# He's the face of a new DUI-law challenge

**Barred from driving.** Local engineer/comedian said he feels 'screwed over' by indefinite licence suspension

Dan Sahaluk moonlights as a standup comedian but he finds nothing funny about Alberta's new impaired-driving legislation.

The 27-year-old Calgarian, who also works as an engineer, hasn't been able to drive a vehicle for more than four months — and estimates he's lost out on thousands of dollars in income as a result — after being charged with failing or refusing to provide a breath sample to a police officer at a checkstop Sept. 6.

Indefinite suspensions were introduced in July by the provincial government for driving with .08 blood-alcohol level or higher and refusing to provide a breath sample.

Dan Sahaluk lost his licence after being charged with refusing to provide a breath sample in September. JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

Sahaluk did admit to consuming five beers over a period of nearly eight hours before being stopped. However, when a breath sample was requested, he claims he was unable to provide one despite six attempts because of a condition he suffers from called pneumothorax, which causes his lung to spontaneously collapse.

"I offered to let them take my blood.... There was no doubt in my mind that I was sober," he said, adding the officer ignored his compromise and charged him.

Sahaluk's claim and two others involving Edmonton residents will be used as evidence during a constitutional challenge of the new legislation, scheduled to first go before Court of Queen's Bench Chief Justice Neil Wittmann on Jan. 29.

Government officials did not comment on the legislation in detail Tuesday, citing the upcoming court proceedings.

"We'll let the facts speak for themselves when we go in there," said transportation ministry spokesperson Parker Hogan. JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

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Synopsis

## *Oprah: 'Follow the thread'*

The former queen of daytime took her life lessons from the small screen to the stage Tuesday night in Calgary, much to the delight of thousands.

From her early life, to thousands of interviews, to arguments with her longtime-boyfriend Stedman, Oprah Winfrey covered it all during her sold-out show at the Saddledome.

"Ya'll should have invited me in July for that Stampede!" she said, walking onto the stage wearing the famous white hat.

She was quickly corrected by the audience after mistakenly referring to Calgary as Edmonton, where she spoke Monday night. She blamed the cold for her minor mix-up.

Amongst her many messages of the evening, Winfrey spoke of the common thread that links experiences in everyone's life.

"What is your thread? Go back to your core and follow the thread."

Winfrey said the thread that connected each of her interviews over 25 years from average people to Beyonce, was after the interview they all asked, "was that ok?"

"Everyone wants to know, 'did you see me? did you hear me? and did what I say mean anything to you?'" she said.

Winfrey also touched on her recent interview with cyclist Lance Armstrong, who admitted to doping on the Oprah Winfrey Network last week.

"It was my intention to create an open field ... I'm going to have no judgement," she said.

One of her parting sentiments was to be grateful for everything life brings.

"If you focus on what you have, you'll always have more." KATIE TURNER/METRO

Oprah fans Debb Saretsky and Avril Cann head in to meet Oprah when she stops into Calgary for An Evening with Oprah on Tuesday night at the Saddledome. CANDICE WARD/FOR METRO

# Fans rejoice as Lady O hits Calgary

**Oprah Winfrey.** The TV icon spoke at a sold-out Saddledome show, her second stop in Western Canada

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For years they watched her on TV — some even trying to score tickets to her show in Chicago, and on Tuesday, many Calgarians were able to put a check next to an item on their bucket lists.

Thousands of fans flooded the Saddledome to see and hear Oprah Winfrey, though none more excited than Shannon Hilton, a self-described super-fan who has a very personal connection to Winfrey.

Oprah Winfrey GETTY IMAGES FILE

Hilton and her husband Mike were flown to Chicago last year where he was a guest on an episode about weight loss. She had lost more than 100 pounds.

"I don't even remember the show, it was such a blur," said Hilton, adding she burst into tears when Oprah pulled her on stage and hugged her after the segment. "It was an 'I can die now' moment."

Hilton and her husband used all their air-miles points to fly to Toronto in the spring to see Oprah, and once again jumped at the chance to buy tickets for her Calgary appearance.

"Honestly, I couldn't believe (she was coming to Calgary. I just think she's such an inspiration."

Fellow fans Debb Saretsky and Avril Cann arrived nearly two hours early with their VIP tickets in hand.

"I really like her philosophy on paying it forward," said Cann of her reason for purchasing tickets.

"Who wouldn't want to see Oprah?" added Saretsky. "She's an icon."

Bio

- Winfrey hosted the Oprah Show for 25 years.
- She has since launched the Oprah Winfrey Network (OWN).
- An Evening With Oprah was also held in Edmonton Monday night and kicked off her Canadian tour.

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# ‘Win-win.’ Police chief, commission chair support $4M budget change

Police Chief Rick Hanson METRO FILE

Calgary’s police commission chairman, who was surprised last year by a $4-million reduction to the police budget, now supports council’s decision.

“I think it’s the right thing to do,” Mike Shaikh told Metro on Tuesday, after a civic committee formalized a $4-million reserve fund that will come from excess fine revenue collected from red-light and speed-on-green cameras in 2012.

Council initially decided to create the fund — while also reducing the police service’s operating budget by $4 million annually — during budget deliberations last November.

The move knocked down the city’s property-tax hike by 40 basis points. It was approved by a 14-1 vote on Nov. 26, catching Shaikh off guard.

“Nobody told me,” he said at the time. “If they had, I would have loved to have worked with the council to work on solutions.”

Since then, however, Shaikh has worked with city staff on terms of reference for the reserve fund, which will be used to supplement police operations should fine revenues come in lower than projected in the future.

Police Chief Rick Hanson also supported the decision Tuesday, describing it as a “win-win” situation.

“It’s a win for the taxpayers, but also it cushions the police service against having to face a hit down the road,” he said.

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Found on Monday

## Snowmobiler dies in Calgary hospital after crash

A man who was flown to a Calgary hospital after crashing his snowmobile has died of his injuries.

RCMP say the 33-year-old man was found near Caroline Monday morning after a driver saw tracks leading into the trees.

Police say the man was not wearing a helmet.

His name has not been released.

Officials say the man appeared to have been in the bush since Sunday, and was suffering from exposure as well as injuries from the crash. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Alberta schools rated

## Attn: sugar daddies — focus on U of A

University of Calgary undergrads were less inclined than their University of Alberta counterparts to look for “sugar daddies” to help cover post-secondary expenses.

According to the website SeekingArrangement.com, which connects students to sugar daddies, 52 U of C students signed up, putting them in 16th place, compared with fifth-ranked U of A, who had 125 signups.

Ryerson University in Ontario topped the list, with 183 people signing up.

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# Missing-patient problem strikes personal chord for family of Calgary man

**Deceased.** Wayne Pratt went missing from Rockyview General Hospital

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Wayne Pratt loved his family and fishing.

He kept busy until his mid-60s when the harsh realities of dementia began to set in.

By the time he was admitted to Calgary’s Rockyview General Hospital last July, even daughter Vikki Pratt was left to wonder what was going through his mind.

“We will never know,” she said Tuesday.

Four days after checking into Rockyview, Wayne walked away from the facility. The 68-year-old’s body was later found in Glenmore Reservoir.

Police revealed last week that nearly 300 patients on average are reported missing from Calgary’s three major hospitals every year. Most who flee are found or return unharmed, but Staff Sgt. John Hebert said Wayne’s case serves as a reminder of the potential danger that exists.

Vikki Pratt said she believes the problem lies in hospital resources.

“They put them wherever in the hospital, and the people in those areas are generally not suited — or trained — to work with people with dementia.... It tends to not be a very good situation quite often,” she said.

Police are working with Alberta Health Services to improve procedures. An AHS spokesperson said last week a fine line is walked between patient safety and privacy.

But opposition Wildrose acting health critic Kerry Towle agreed with Vikki Pratt that more needs to be done.

“The fundamental change is we need to make sure the right patients are in the right facilities,” she said.

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The body of Calgary dementia sufferer Wayne Pratt, seen here, was found in Glenmore Reservoir after he walked away from Rockyview General Hospital last July. VIKKI PRATT/CONTRIBUTED

Quoted

**“There’s just nowhere for these people where there’s proper care for them. It’s only going to get worse, I think.”**

**Vikki Pratt,**
daughter of Calgary dementia sufferer who died after fleeing from hospital

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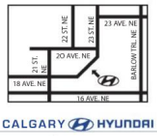


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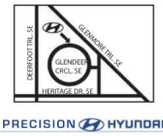


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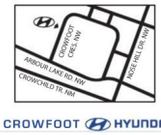


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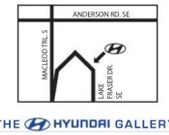


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# Calgary company launches mini bike-share program

Scott Meyers poses with one of the bikes purchased by his employer, Matrix Solutions. The bicycles will be shared among employees. KATIE TURNER/METRO

**Matrix Solutions.**
City council has considered a similar program for Calgary

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One Calgary company is offering a unique benefit to its employees.

In an effort to reduce its environmental impact and offer an afternoon pick-me-up to staff, Matrix Solutions has launched a mini bike-share program, giving its employees access to three company bikes.

Employee Sierra Jensen brought the idea forward, suggesting it would be a good fit for the environmental- and engineering-consulting company.

"I think it's a great service to offer to employees. It can serve multiple purposes," she said.

As a cyclist, Scott Meyers said he was thrilled when his company purchased the bikes, which can be reserved and used by anyone in its downtown office.

"A lot of our clients, their head offices are in downtown Calgary. So (for) work that's being done between the offices, rather than jumping in a cab, take a bike," said Meyers.

"I think it's good stewardship on our part that we try to encourage and use alternative means of transportation."

Sean Carter, cycling advocate and owner of downtown shop BikeBike, said he was thrilled to sell the bikes to Matrix Solutions and hopes other companies try sharing.

"It does make a lot of sense," he said. "I think that there's probably opportunity for some businesses to look into it."

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Early indications suggested as many as 400 bikes at 40 stations could be part of a larger bike-share program in Calgary.

# Health care. Money not buying patient happiness in Alberta, survey finds

A survey suggests that two out of every three Albertans are happy with their health care, but they aren't getting bang for their buck.

The Health Quality Council says a survey of 4,800 patients or their families last year indicated 64 per cent were satisfied with their level of care.

That's up slightly from 62 per cent in 2010, but represents a 12-percentage-point jump from the 52 per cent who said they were happy in 2004, council CEO Dr. John Cowell told a news conference in Calgary on Tuesday.

However, Cowell noted the increase in the amount of money invested during the last decade and the boost in patient happiness don't correspond. He said per capita spending on health has gone from $3,994 in 2003 to a forecast of $6,570 per capita in 2011, for a 64 per cent increase.

"If you want to stand back from this and say, 'We've been spending more and more money. Would we like to have seen perhaps better improvement in (patient) satisfaction?' I think the big strategists and the big thinkers and the funders might say 'yes,'" Cowell said.

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**Poor co-ordination?**

**Only 49 per cent of those surveyed approved of how health-care professionals co-ordinated their care efforts in 2012.**

# Sex-assault trial. Crown says psychiatrist abused trust to abuse patients

The prosecutor in the sexual-assault trial of a Calgary psychiatrist said Tuesday the alleged victims were "sitting ducks" and trusted him as their caregiver.

Dr. Aubrey Levin, 74, is accused of molesting nine of his patients who were ordered by the courts to see him.

In his final arguments, Crown lawyer Bill Wister said there is no proof the patients were jumping on a bandwagon by making complaints against him.

"There's no collusion. They didn't know each other," Wister told the jury. "There's a power imbalance. They are dependant on Dr. Levin.

"They saw him as a confidant and they trusted him, much to their detriment."

The allegations came to light in 2010 after one of the patients came forward with secret videos he recorded during court-ordered sessions with the psychiatrist.

The videos, played in court last fall, show Levin undoing the man's belt and jeans and appearing to fondle him.

Levin's lawyer Chris Archer said Monday the witness was a petty criminal who was setting up Levin to pursue a lawsuit and added that what happened was consensual.

The man said he had told authorities about previous assaults and no one believed him. So he bought a spy camera and brought it to his appointments. After Levin was arrested, other former patients came forward with abuse allegations.

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**Prosecutor's account**

**"They saw him as a confidant and they trusted him, much to their detriment."**
**Crown lawyer Bill Wister** on Dr. Aubrey Levin's patients

**Lotto 6-49**

## Edmonton man wins $15.6 million, minus the $4 ticket

An Edmonton man is $15.6 million richer after hitting the Lotto 6-49 jackpot, the Western Canada Lottery Corporation announced Tuesday.

James Whittaker bought the $4 ticket at a 7-Eleven in Sherwood Park and was in disbelief.

"My very first thought was, 'Don't have a heart attack, don't have a heart attack.' But surprisingly, I was pretty calm," Whittaker said in a release Tuesday.

"Nobody believed me," he added, saying it took 15 minutes to convince his friends and girlfriend.

Whittaker plans to invest his winnings and travel.

"After I took a step back, I'd like to live a simpler lifestyle. I've always dreamed of this moment," he said.

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# Reprisals feared after Prince Harry admits to Taliban killings

**Media frenzy.** Fevered press response reflects naiveté about the realities of war, one British colonel claims

Prince Harry talks to a TV crew at Camp Bastion in southern Afghanistan on Dec. 12, 2012. Upon his recent return from a 20-week deployment in Afghanistan, the 28-year-old has created a media frenzy by admitting to killing members of the Taliban. JOHN STILLWELL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Prince Harry's admission that he killed Taliban fighters while working as a helicopter gunner in Afghanistan drew intense British media coverage on Tuesday and sparked concerns about possible reprisals.

The 28-year-old prince spoke in a pooled interview published late Monday after he was safely out of Afghanistan. He had spent the past 20 weeks deployed as a co-pilot and gunner in a heavily armed Apache attack helicopter.

Asked if he had killed from the cockpit, the third-in-line to the British throne said, "Yeah, so, lots of people have."

The response on Tuesday was immediate: The Daily Mirror tabloid ran a page-one headline, "Royal Sensation Harry: I Killed Taliban," along with a photo of a macho-looking Harry in combat gear and designer shades. Other newspapers ran similar gung-ho stories about the prince's military exploits. "Harry: I Have Killed" was the story in the Daily Mail.

Video footage shot during the prince's deployment was shown dozens of times on Britain's major news networks.

In Parliament on Tuesday, Defence Minister Mark Francois praised Harry, saying he should be commended for his bravery.

Lindsey German, leader of the Stop the War Coalition, called Harry's comments "arrogant and insensitive" and raised the prospect that Harry might have accidently targeted Afghan civilians.

Former officer Charles Heyman, who edits a yearbook on British forces, said the prince's words may raise the already-high threat level against him.

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# Israel votes. Netanyahu, hardline allies win slight majority, exit polls show

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his hardline allies fared far worse than expected in a parliamentary election on Tuesday, likely forcing him to reach across the aisle to court a popular political newcomer to cobble together a new coalition.

While Netanyahu appeared positioned to serve a third term as prime minister, the results marked a major setback for his policies and could force him to make new concessions to restart long-stalled peace talks with the Palestinians.

More than 99 per cent of the votes had been counted by Wednesday morning and results showed the hawkish and dovish blocs were split about evenly.

Netanyahu's most likely partner was Yesh Atid, or There is a Future, a party headed by political newcomer Yair Lapid that showed surprising strength. Lapid has said he would only join a government committed to sweeping economic changes and a resumption of peace talks with the Palestinians.

Addressing his supporters early Wednesday, Netanyahu vowed to form as broad a coalition as possible. He said the next government would be built on principles that include reforming the contentious system of granting draft exemptions to ultra-Orthodox Jewish men and the pursuit of a "genuine peace" with the Palestinians. He did not elaborate, but the message seemed aimed at Lapid.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Netanyahu's Likud-Yisrael Beitenu alliance was set to capture about 31 of the 120 seats, significantly fewer than the 42 it held in the outgoing parliament and below the forecasts of recent polls.

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# Three people wounded in Texas college shooting

A fight between two people led to a shooting at a Texas community college on Tuesday and sent students fleeing for safety as the campus was placed on lockdown, officials said. A maintenance man was caught in the crossfire and wounded.

One of the people involved in the fight had a student ID, and both people were wounded and hospitalized, Harris County's sheriff, Maj. Armando Tello said. A fourth person was also taken to a hospital for a medical condition, he said.

The two people involved in the fight are considered people of interest. Authorities said they weren't looking for any other suspects, and they recovered one handgun at the scene.

The shooting that happened shortly after 12 p.m. sent students scurrying for safety on the Lone Star College System campus about 32 kilometres north of downtown Houston. Some barricaded themselves in the rooms they were in, while others fled to nearby buildings.

The shooting comes just over a month after a gunman killed 20 children and six adults at an elementary school in Connecticut, heightening security concerns at campuses across the country and fuelling a national debate about gun control. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Gun control**

- President Obama has proposed a package of gun-control changes that are expected to face stiff opposition from Republicans, who control the House of Representatives.
- In Texas, several school districts have implemented or are considering a plan to allow faculty to carry guns. The Texas Legislature may also debate a bill that would allow guns on college campuses.

**Algerian kidnapping**

## Ottawa wants proof of terrorist links from envoy

The Foreign Affairs Department has called in Algeria's ambassador to Canada to get more info on why the country's prime minister labelled some of the hostage-takers in last week's gas-plant siege as Canadian. A total of 38 workers and 29 militants died.

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**Islamist occupation**

## Malian and French forces gaining ground on rebels

American planes transported French troops and equipment to Mali, a U.S. military spokesman said Tuesday, as Malian and French forces pushed into the Islamist-held north. The troops arrived in Douentza on Monday to find that the Islamists had retreated.

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**Philippine shooting**

## Canadian killer's background still in question

Canadian John Pope opened fire in a Philippine courtroom Tuesday, killing two people and wounding a prosecutor before police fatally shot him, officials said. Philippine media reported on Pope in 2011, when he was held on charges of illegal possession of firearms. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# ‘Death video’ guard tells inquest of stress

**Ashley Smith.** Guard testifies about job woes, getting arrested after death of teen at Ontario prison

A prison guard testified Tuesday about the shock he felt at finding himself at a police station under arrest, stripped of his shoes and facing charges in the death of a teenage inmate whose death throes he had videotaped.

At the inquest into the death of Ashley Smith, Rudy Burnett said he felt as if he had been criminally convicted, even though he believed he had done nothing wrong.

“It was not a very nice situation. I was under a lot of stress. I was very agitated,” he said.

The calm, soft-spoken Burnett, who now works at a halfway house for men, also testified about the difficulties of being a guard in the prison system.

Among other things, he said, he had witnessed serious assaults.

“It’s very traumatic,” he told coroner’s court. “Over the years, you do sort of get desensitized.”

He said he relied on his family and church to help him keep a sense of himself.

Burnett, who was charged with criminal negligence and failing to provide the necessities of life in Smith’s death, was grilled about his reluctance to give police the names of the other guards present at her death.

His lawyer had advised him to say as little as possible, coroner’s court heard.

Charges against Burnett, who had been pressed into videotaping the choking death of Smith in her cell in Kitchener, Ont., five years ago, were dropped.

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Ashley Smith is shown surrounded by guards at a Quebec institution in 2007 in this image from a video. HANDOUT, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CORONER FOR ONTARIO/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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## Montreal. Boy, 12, charged after 16-year-old brother shot dead

A 12-year-old boy was charged on Tuesday in connection with the shooting death of his older brother in a case that has devastated a family and left neighbours in disbelief.

The boy, wearing a blue hooded sweatshirt and striped track pants, stood expressionless in a Montreal courtroom as he was charged with manslaughter and illegal possession of a loaded, prohibited weapon.

While authorities did not lay murder charges in Monday’s death of his 16-year-old brother, they did not describe the shooting as a complete accident, either.

“Obviously, because he’s charged with manslaughter, it’s not an accident — the evidence doesn’t show it’s an accident,” Crown prosecutor Marie-Claude Bourassa said, without revealing the suspected circumstances.

“We just study the evidence and charge as the evidence leads us, and in this case, the evidence leads us to these very serious charges.”

Due to his young age, the boy faces a maximum sentence of three years in youth detention if convicted. He cannot receive an adult sentence.

His identity as well as that of his brother cannot be revealed because they are minors. The boy will remain in custody and is due back in court on Friday for a bail hearing. The prosecution, which offered few details about the case, is expected to provide more evidence to the defence from the ongoing investigation.

“We objected to his release today based on the gravity of the offences and because of the information that we have as of now,” said Bourassa, who noted it was too early to say whether the Crown would ask Friday that he remain detained.

When asked by a reporter whether the boys’ parents could face charges, Bourassa replied: “For now, we don’t know. Like I said, it’s an ongoing investigation and there are a lot of people to be met.”

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Statement of defence

### Reporter adds to allegations against Furlong

The reporter behind a newspaper article that accused former Vancouver Olympic CEO John Furlong of abusing students at a school in northern British Columbia four decades ago has included explosive new accusations in her statement of defence, alleging Furlong physically abused a former spouse and sexually assaulted another.

None of the allegations, contained in a statement of defence filed on Monday, have been tested in court. Furlong and his lawyers declined comment through a spokeswoman.

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Quebec

### Woman charged for allegedly poisoning 2 co-workers

Gatineau police say they have charged a woman who allegedly poisoned two of her co-workers at a financial institution with an anti-psychotic drug last year.

The force says it received the initial complaint on Feb. 16, 2012, when two victims, aged 37 and 61, felt ill after eating their lunch.

“The investigation allows us to confirm the substance added to the food of one of the victims had anti-psychotic properties,” said Gatineau police spokesman Jean Paul Le May.

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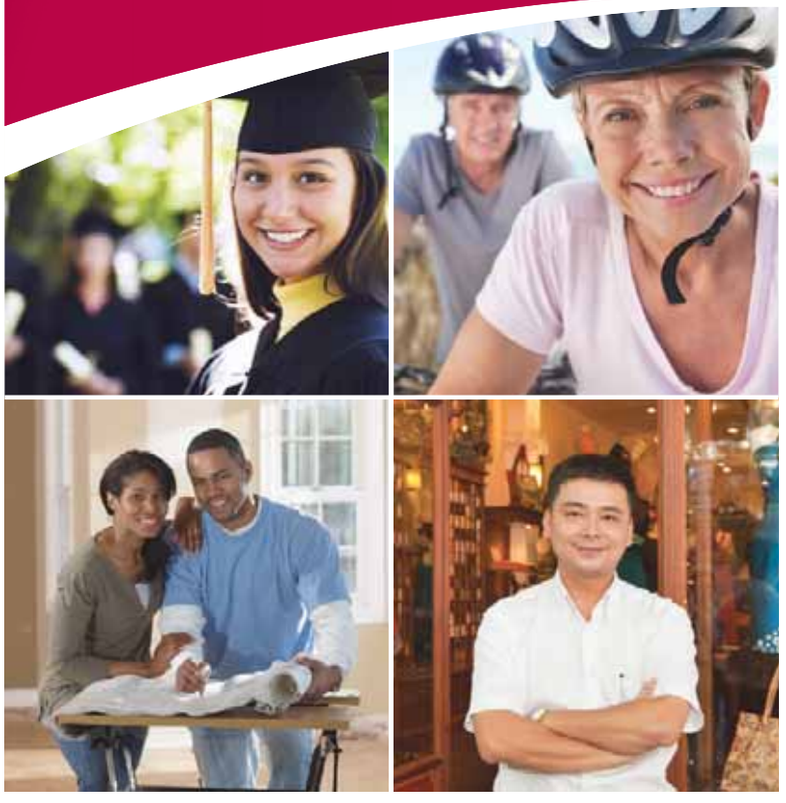

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# Drunk driving OK'd by rural Irish county

**No other way home.**
Mayor accuses voting, pub-owning councillors of conflict of interest

Where else but in Ireland, where the pub life is woven into the country's cultural fabric, would this happen?

Kerry County Council has passed a motion for a permit system that would allow isolated rural people to drink over the legal limit and drive home.

County Mayor Terry O'Brien, however, stands opposed.

"The councillor who actually moved this owns a pub," O'Brien told Torstar News Service. "And people who voted with him also own pubs."

The motion, tabled by Coun. Danny Healy-Rae, passed by a vote of 5-3.

Can a strict limit of three pints, low speed and the luck o' the Irish keep folks safe? CATE GILLON/GETTY IMAGES FILE

Usually, there are 27 councillors in the chamber but the debate dragged into the night. In the end, there were only 12 or 13 remaining and a handful abstained, the mayor said.

Before becoming law, the motion has to be approved by the Department of Justice — O'Brien doesn't think the government will pass it.

**All those opposed?**

**"I think it's absolute madness."**
County Mayor Terry O'Brien

O'Brien said he fought hard against the motion because he's worried about more carnage in County Kerry, which has a population of about 145,000.

Healy-Rae said that people in rural areas, many of whom are lonely and isolated, cannot take public transit and have limited access to taxis.

The controversial motion suggested that the police would have the discretion to issue permits to allow certain people to drink up to three pints and drive home along a rural road at no more than 30 km/h. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# Three arrested in huge art heist in Netherlands

Romanian authorities have arrested three suspects in last year's multimillion-dollar art heist from a Netherlands art gallery, Dutch police said Tuesday. But the paintings, by artists including Picasso, Matisse and Monet, have not been recovered.

The announcement marked the first breakthrough since thieves swiped the seven pieces on Oct. 16 in a late-night raid at the Kunsthal gallery in Rotterdam.

Two thieves forced their way into the gallery through an emergency door and snatched the paintings. Security cameras showed the thieves fleeing within two minutes. Police arrived less than five minutes after the break-in.

It was the biggest art theft in more than a decade in the Netherlands.

Police later said in a statement that the suspects were arrested as part of an ongoing Romanian investigation and not at the request of Dutch authorities.

Kunsthal spokeswoman Mariette Maaskant said gallery staff members are not yet breathing a sigh of relief. "There is no painting found yet," she said. "For us, that is the most important thing."

The stolen paintings were: Pablo Picasso's Harlequin Head; Claude Monet's Waterloo Bridge, London and Charing Cross Bridge, London; Henri Matisse's Reading Girl in White and Yellow; Paul Gauguin's Girl in Front of Open Window; Meyer de Haan's Self-Portrait; and Lucian Freud's Woman with Eyes Closed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**New Zealand**

## Economist starts anti-cat campaign

Gareth Morgan has a dream: A New Zealand free of pet cats that threaten native birds.

Morgan, an economist and businessman, called on his countrymen Tuesday to make their current cat their last in order to save the nation's unique bird species. He set up a website, Cats To Go, depicting a kitten with horns. The opening line: "That little ball of fluff you own is a natural-born killer."

He doesn't recommended people euthanize their current cats — "Not necessarily but that is an option" — but rather neuter them and not replace them when they die. Morgan also suggests people keep cats indoors and that local governments make registration mandatory.

For millennia, New Zealand's birds had no predators. Some species, like the kiwi, became flightless. Then came the arrival of mankind and its introduction of cats, dogs and rodents.

Scientist David Winter said cats are indeed a problem in New Zealand, having contributed to the extinction of at least half a dozen bird species.

However, Morgan's campaign is not sitting well in a country that boasts one of the highest cat-ownership rates in the world.

A 2011 survey by the New Zealand Companion Animal Council found that 48 per cent of households in New Zealand owned at least one cat, a significantly higher rate than in other developed nations. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Neb. governor approves new Keystone route

**Oilsands pipeline.** Alberta-to-Texas project still needs Obama's go-ahead to proceed

The fate of TransCanada's controversial Keystone XL pipeline was put squarely in the hands of the U.S. State Department on Tuesday after Nebraska's governor approved a new route amid fierce opposition from environmental groups.

Nebraska Gov. Dave Heineman sent a letter to U.S. President Barack Obama confirming that he would allow the Alberta-to-Texas oil pipeline to go through his state along a revised route that skirts an environmentally sensitive area.

Because the Keystone XL would cross an international border, it requires approval from the U.S. State Department and President Barack Obama. The $7-billion project would carry bitumen extracted from Alberta's oilsands to refineries along the U.S. Gulf Coast.

**Alberta reaction**

- Alberta's energy minister says he is pleased to hear that a major hurdle has been cleared on the Keystone XL pipeline.
- But Ken Hughes also says that Keystone, which will ship oilsands bitumen to refineries on the U.S. Gulf Coast, is just one part of the puzzle. He says the province still needs pipelines to Eastern Canada and to the West Coast to ship oil to markets in Asia.

The project has faced some of its strongest resistance in Nebraska from a coalition of landowners and environmental groups who say it would contaminate the Ogallala aquifer, a massive groundwater supply. Jane Kleeb, executive director of the group Bold Nebraska, says Heineman's decision is "one of the biggest flip-flops in Nebraska history." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Above, this All Nippon Airways Boeing 787 remained grounded on the tarmac at Takamatsu airport in western Japan on Monday after making an emergency landing last week. Japanese and U.S. investigators are conducting a probe into the lithium ion batteries used in the 787 jets, which are also known as Dreamliners. Inset, the plane's distorted main battery, left, alongside an undamaged auxiliary battery. KYODO NEWS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Air Canada CEO still bullish on Dreamliners

Air Canada's chief executive is confident that battery problems plaguing the new Boeing 787 Dreamliner will be resolved quickly.

Calin Rovinescu, speaking Tuesday to the Montreal Chamber of Commerce, said problems are common with the introduction of new models and that he isn't expecting any changes to the 787's long-term delivery schedule.

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Rovinescu said Air Canada still expects to begin taking delivery of the first of the 37 Dreamliners it has ordered starting in 2014.

Currently all 50 of the Dreamliners that Boeing has delivered to airlines so far have been grounded as authorities probe overheating problems with the plane's lithium ion batteries.

In addition to the grounding, Boeing has halted deliveries of new planes until it can address the electrical problems.

The 787 uses composite materials instead of metals and Rovinescu says the aircraft will provide "cost efficiencies" of more than 35 per cent. THE CANADIAN PRESS

**Brussels**

## AB InBev wins latest EU round in battle of Buds

Ask for a "Bud" in the European Union and the only one you'll get from now on is by the brewing giant AB InBev, an EU high court ruled Tuesday in a rejection of a challenge from the Czech company Budejovicky Budvar.

AB InBev claimed victory in the latest round in the century-long fight between the two companies over the right to put the word Budweiser, one of beer's biggest brand names, on their bottles and kegs. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Calgary**

## Griffiths Energy to pay $10.35M for bribing officials

Griffiths Energy will pay a $10.35-million fine after pleading guilty to a bribery charge for payments made to officials in Chad. The Calgary-based company disclosed last week it had been charged under a Canadian law called the Corruption of Foreign Public Officials Act. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# Retail. Walmart to finish 37 supercentres over next year

Walmart Canada will continue to expand its presence with new stores this year as U.S. retail powerhouse Target prepares to open shop in Canada.

Walmart plans to complete at least 37 additional supercentre projects by the end of next January, bringing the total number of Canadian locations to 388.

The U.S.-based discount retailer says nine of those locations will be new stores, with the remainder being conversions of existing properties into Walmart supercentres with a grocery offering. It says the company is spending $450 million on the expansion, which will create 7,000 jobs — half of which will be retail positions.

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A Harvard biologist says it's possible to bring the Neanderthal back to life through cloning. All he needs is some caveman DNA and the womb of an "extremely adventurous female human" and voilà!

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Yes, the Neanderthal is traditionally regarded as the loser in the race to the top of the food chain, rendered extinct 30,000-plus years ago, unable to overcome the challenge of the wittier, more upright, photogenic Homo sapiens, i.e., us.

As prehistory is written by the victors, we're used to thinking of the Neanderthal as slow-witted, rude and, of course, extinct.

Recently, though, the Neanderthal image has undergone a bit of an upgrade as scientists have discovered that they had a larger brain capacity than Guess Who. It also turns out Homo sapiens weren't so fussy back then when it came to sharing the cave … all of us have a little Neanderthal DNA. Which might help explain our rapid descent down the evolutionary tree after a couple of drinks.

**Back from extinction?**

**Prof. Church thinks it might be a good idea to breed a Neanderthal and encourage him/her to use that excess cranial capacity to solve some modern problems.**

But now Harvard's George Church, who looks a little like a Neanderthal elder (robust, hairy), in a new book called Regenesis: How Synthetic Biology will Reinvent Nature and Ourselves, outlines how theoretically easy it is to resurrect extinct species, as long as we have viable DNA.

Prof. Church thinks it might be a good idea to breed a Neanderthal and encourage him/her to use that excess cranial capacity to solve some modern problems.

For example:

"Trog, how should we address world hunger?"

Answer: "Eat more!"

Or:

"Trog, what's the secret to world peace?"

Answer: "Bash foe good!"

You can see how this could be helpful, as long as we stick to single syllables.

Prof. Church is a very smart man. He was one of the pioneers of the Human Genome Project and has helped launch two dozen biotech firms. But you wonder if he could do with a bit more of that vaunted Neanderthal cranial capacity.

Meanwhile, the call is out for that "extremely adventurous female human" to act as the troglotyke's incubator. Presumably, Prof. Church will be looking for someone with prior experience, like Rosemary.

But smirk as we might (and we do), this is ultimately a tragic tale. How would you like to grow up knowing your last chance to meet a nice girl and settle down expired 30,000 years ago, and everyone thinks you're one strand short of a genome, like the guy in the Geico commercial: So Easy, a Caveman Could Do It?

Exactly. It's fun until someone gets his feelings hurt. And then he bashes your head in.

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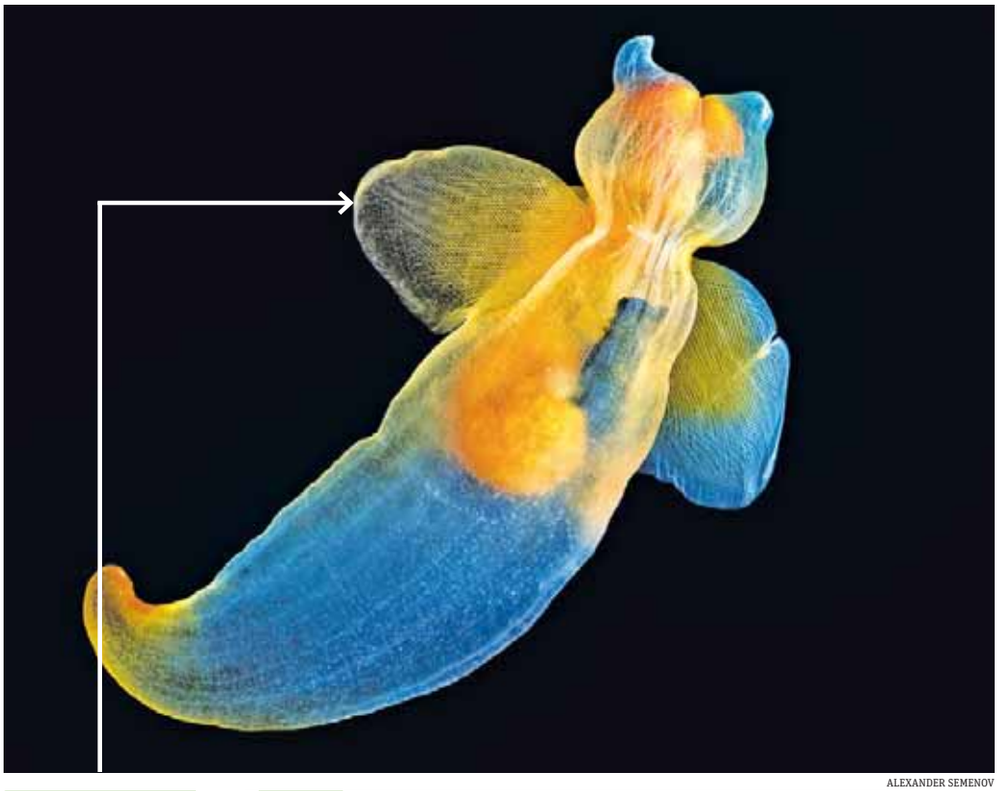
# Angels swimming in the sea



ALEXANDER SEMENOV

**Underwater shooting**

## Deep sea's beauty revealed

Think deep sea and images of creatures untouched by nature's beauty come to mind: fang-toothed angler fish, translucent sea worms and eerie squids, just to name a few. But this photo of a vibrant, rainbow-coloured sea angel in Russia's White Sea by Alexander Semenov shows a prettier side of what lurks below.

METRO WORLD NEWS

**Q and A**

## *Sea slugs are vibrant*

ALEXANDER SEMENOV
Photographer, zoologist at White Sea Biological Station, Russia

**What makes deep-sea photography so special?**
The deep water is a very diverse place for animals. The countless factors that affect natural life — salinity, water temperature, depth, different types of water — create a unique ecosystem, something that we will never see in an aquarium.

**What presents the biggest challenge in underwater photography?**
First of all, it's difficult to do anything in the water. It's tricky enough to stay close to your subject while making sure that your flippers don't churn up a cloud of haze from the bottom. The shooting process can be tough, too: You have to set the lighting functions at the right moment. But the biggest problem is temperature. Sometimes the water is -1.5 C — after 20 to 30 minutes, you lose the feeling in your hands despite having thick gloves.

**Why the fascination with sea slugs?**
I like all of the inhabitants of the underwater world but nudibranchs (a species of sea slugs) are particularly interesting as they are one of the most vibrant groups. They possess every colour and shape combination imaginable. METRO WORLD NEWS

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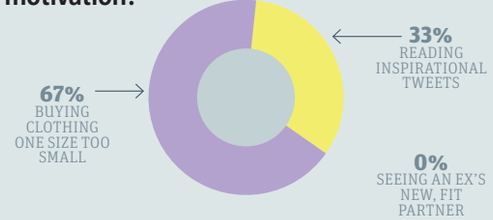


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**@leaningcowboy:**
Man, thought I had Oprah overkill with the Armstrong interview last week. But with her in #yyc tonight... enough already with the Oprah.

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In Focus

## The many faces of Parker

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In the movie Parker, Jason Statham, British action-man and Hollywood star, plays the title character. He's a ruthless career criminal with a twisted sense of ethics — he doesn't steal from the poor or hurt innocent people.

Sound familiar? Well it should, as the character is the star of 24 books written by Donald E. Westlake (under the pseudonym Richard Stark). Many films have also been made from the books, with Parker played by everyone from Lee Marvin to Mel Gibson to Robert Duvall.

If the movies don't ring a bell, however, it's because on film, Parker has often been renamed.

For instance, in 1967's Point Blank (based upon the novel The Hunter) Lee Marvin played the character named Parker in the book, but changed to Walker for the film.

In the '70s and '80s, the Westlake Parker novels remained popular Hollywood source material. Robert Duvall switched the name to Macklin in 1973's The Outfit, one of Quentin Tarantino's favourite films.

The best-known Parker adaptation is Payback in 1999, but with so many actors having played the character, who would Westlake, his creator, like to have seen in the role? "Usually I don't put an actor's face to the character," he said, "though with Parker, in the early days, I did think he probably looked something like Jack Palance. That may be partly because you knew Palance wasn't faking it."

Movie 43 director Peter Farrelly said he was surprised big stars like Halle Berry agreed to star in the film. HANDOUT

# Movie 43 is either going to be Funny or Die trying

**Interview.** While the collection of bizarre shorts may include famous actors, the director doesn't see it doing well on Rotten Tomatoes

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

Before director/producer Peter Farrelly will get on with our interview, he needs to make sure he's talking to someone from a real publication.

"Metro News sounds like something out of Superman," Farrelly says. "'I work for the Metro News!'"

After assuring him that we are very real, it's time to talk about the raunchy comedy anthology Movie 43, a project that's also very real, even if Farrelly is working without his brother Bobby, his co-director on such career-definers as Dumb and Dumber and There's Something About Mary.

**You've got some big stars in this, some with Oscars. How did you convince them to take part?**

Well, when we got Kate (Winslet) and Hugh (Jackman), Charlie Wessler, the producer, told them that Coen Brothers were going to direct them, and then I showed up and said that they'd had to cancel (laughs). I was nervous showing up with Kate Winslet and Halle Berry and Hugh Jackman. I thought when they got on the set they were going to blink and say, 'You're kidding. I can't be doing this.' Not only did they not, they embraced it like it was their first movie ever and they wanted to go for it.

Hit or miss

**"It's groundbreaking and odd and offensive and critics aren't going to know what to do with it."**

Peter Farrelly
Talking about how he expects Movie 43 to be received poorly by the critics.

**How do you think approaching a project like this has changed since the advent of Funny or Die and the Internet in general?**

The world's attention spans have diminished drastically in the last 10 years, so you can't just have a movie of shorts. What we had to do is have a wraparound story that explains what Movie 43 is and keeps you wanting to know what's going to happen at the end.

**How much do sites like Funny or Die work as far as finding new comedy talent?**

That's where we got all our new talent, in fact. Charlie would scour Funny or Die and the entire Internet for funny pieces and then contact those guys or women and say, 'Hey, that's hilarious. We're doing a movie of shorts, you want to write one?'

**How did you decide which of the segments to direct yourself?**

I just picked the best ones (laughs). Because I'm the producer. Um, no, I picked the ones that I thought were the funniest. And by the way, it's going to get about a six per cent on the Rotten Tomatoes scale if we're lucky, just so you know. Because it's groundbreaking and odd and offensive and critics aren't going to know what to do with it.

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# She's bringing Saxa back

**Warrior woman.** Actress Ellen Hollman says her German slave turned Spartacus rebel sharpens her claws and wisdom this season

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It was anyone's guess who would be left standing after last year's blood-soaked finale of Spartacus: Vengeance.

Among the survivors was Saxa, a German slave who was rescued by Spartacus' rebels and joined their stand against the Romans.

Saxa returns to the battlefield this season in Spartacus: War of the Damned, the final installment of the Spartacus saga, and is all the more ready to fight, as Ellen Hollman, who plays the warrior, explains.

"As each battle is fought and won, our characters develop, and one of the things I discovered this year about Saxa is that she's grown into her lioness paws," says the actress.

"She's no longer just a feisty rebel. Saxa is not only a true warrior but also a woman of few words, and due to the language barrier, she's forced to communicate in a more straightforward, poignant fashion. Sometimes it's crude, other times quite insightful, but Saxa is always aware of what's going on. Nothing gets past her, and we see more of that wise aspect this season.

"Jumping back into not my character's boots but her daggers for War of the Damned was an absolute pleasure. I spent so much time off-season training for this role that it just felt natural.

"The key for me with Saxa this time around was embracing her more as a woman than a girl and getting the audience to believe she's a seasoned fighter."

"I didn't grow up killing Romans on the battlefield, so convincing viewers that Saxa is a born and bred warrior was tricky, but I think they're going to be more than pleased with the results."

Audiences can also expect to see things heat up between Saxa and fellow rebel Gannicus (Dustin Clare).

"My character is essentially the female version of Gannicus," notes Hollman. "Their relationship has developed from a wine-fueled debaucherous one to one with deeper qualities, quite possibly even love.

"I'm excited to see episode three and how Saxa and Gannicus interact when they're alone. It's surprisingly sweet and domestic until a certain 'something' is revealed," teases the actress.

Unlike their onscreen counterparts, there was no animosity behind the scenes during the filming of Spartacus.

"This was a once-in-a-lifetime experience where the entire cast got along amazingly," says Hollman.

"There was no divide between rebels and Romans. We all survived gladiator boot camp and really dove into our parts as well as the genre."

**Quoted**

**"The key for me with Saxa this time around was embracing her more as a woman than a girl and getting the audience to believe she's a seasoned fighter"**

Actress Ellen Hollman on her character Saxa

**Watch it**

- **Debut.** January 27 on The Movie Network and Movie Central. The first episode of Spartacus: War of the Damned will be available beginning Friday, January 25 on The Movie Network and Saturday, January 26 on Movie Central. The episode will be made available on themovienetwork.ca and moviecentral.ca.

Ellen Hollman spent plenty of off-season time training. HANDOUT

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# Prince Harry on nude scandal

Prince Harry is finally speaking out about his nude photo scandal from his trip to Las Vegas last summer, acknowledging it wasn't his proudest moment. "I probably let myself down. I let my family down. I let other people down," Harry told reporters as he wrapped up his latest four-month stint in Afghanistan. But he doesn't think he was the only one acting inappropriately. "At the end of the day, I was in a private area and there should be a certain amount of privacy," he said. "The way I was treated by (the media) I don't think is acceptable."

# METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

## *The Beyoncé lip-syncing scandal*

THE WORD
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If you are one of the millions who thought that a triumphant Beyoncé trumped Kelly Clarkson's vocal prowess at Monday's inauguration, you should know a little secret: Beyoncé might have lip sang The Star Spangled Banner.

The Internet was abuzz yesterday with a much-circulated story that a spokesperson (who has probably since been fed to the wolves) from the Marine Corp Band, which backed Beyoncé (Beyonsync? Hackonce?) and said that the singer decided at the "last minute to go with the pre-recorded version."

Lip-sync? Beyoncé? Girlfriend ripped out her ear piece and then went on to nail it!

If her removing her earpiece was indeed just a dramatic, unneeded touch in order to fool us, her acting ability is much better than Austin Powers in Goldmember gives her credit for.

Sheryl Crow

# 'Honesty is always the best bet,' says Crow of ex-fiancée, Lance Armstrong

Lance Armstrong's ex-fiancée, Sheryl Crow, is speaking out on the disgraced cyclist's coming clean about his years of doping, admitting it would have been tough for Armstrong to keep it a secret much longer. "I think that honesty is always the best bet and that the truth will set you free," she tells Entertainment Tonight, admitting that she'd only seen "bits and pieces" of Armstrong's two-part interview with Oprah Winfrey. "To carry around a weight like that would be devastating in the long run."

Twitter

**@oliviawilde**
I would like to request that the word fiancée be replaced with beyoncé, for obvious reasons. Effective immediately.

**@ladygaga**
And if you thought I was looking at you during the show I was.

**@IJasonAlexander**
With every passing day, I fear that growth spurt my pediatrician swore I'd get may be more and more of a bad prognosis.

**@Sethrogen**
You don't automatically look like me if you're chubby and have stubble and glasses. You have to be Jewish too.

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# Edinburgh is Burns-ing

## The Writers' Museum

The Writers' Museum focuses on Scotland's three greatest wordsmiths — Sir Walter Scott, Robert Louis Stevenson and of course, Robbie Burns. Fans of great literature can learn about the bard's life through portraits, early manuscripts, personal items and, for the more macabre, even a rare plaster cast of Burns' skull — all set in the beautifully historic 17th Century Lady's Stair House on Edinburgh's Royal Mile.

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## The Burns Monument

The 19th Century-commissioned Burns Monument was constructed to house a life-size statue of Robbie Burns. Although the marble likeness is now found in the Scottish National Portrait Gallery, its impressive shelter still stands. Located on Regent Road, the circular, recently restored Neo-Greek-style temple also supplies a worthy view of Arthur's Seat — the stunning mountainous hill that rises above Edinburgh.

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## Scottish National Portrait Gallery

Not only does the 123-year old building contain the aforementioned statue of Burns, but the Scottish National Portrait Gallery is one of Edinburgh's most neo-gothic architectural fascinations. Shortlisted as the UK's museum of the year in 2012, this popular museum explores Scotland's history through its extensive portrait collection of the country's most luminous icons, including everyone from Robbie Burns to Mary, Queen of Scots and even legendary actor Sean Connery.

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## The White Hart Inn

A 16th century pub that boasts Robbie Burns among its past patrons, the fascinating White Hart Inn in Edinburgh's historic Grassmarket Square also claims to have hosted notorious 19th Century murderers Burke and Hare and survived an attack by a German zeppelin during the First World War. In the true spirit of Robbie Burns however, you should at least wrap up your day of travels with the pub's "wee taste of haggis with bashed neeps".

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# Horsing around in Puerto Vallarta

**Wild ride.**
Darren Parkman discovers a new way to see the natural beauty of Mexico

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The Mexican resort town of Puerto Vallarta offers many things: sun, surf, sand and leisurely swimming with horses.

The idea of doing the breast stroke with a thousand-pound beast didn't exactly seem fun to me, but the actual experience was nothing short of a thrill-ride.

The equestrian adventure of a lifetime all started at a small but quaint tequila factory called Hacienda Dona Engracia, located out in the country about a half hour from downtown.

We started by hopping on some ATVs for some very adventurous off-roading into the heart of the Mexican wilds.

We roared down muddy roads and through raging rivers until we reached the site of the watery horse ride.

After mounting a big horse with no saddle, I proceeded to hang on for dear life as he galloped into a very deep and raging river.

Thankfully this horse was a swimming champ and managed to horse-paddle expertly down the river. Unlike some other participants, I managed to hang on for the whole ride.

A much tamer but equally enjoyable wildlife water encounter can also be found in nearby Nuevo Vallarta.

Vallarta Adventures offers a great swimming-with-the-dolphins experience that made me realize just how incredibly smart these creatures are. I couldn't help but smile as two of these friendly fellows planted kisses on my cheeks, before I hitched a ride around the pool by latching onto their fins.

These dolphins are not only gentle but a lot of fun just to watch.

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# Marvellous Marseille: The capital of culture

**Europe's pick for 2013.** The second largest city in France is the site of celebration for the continent's culture and arts

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Enjoy the graffiti in Les Friches de la Belle de Mai. ALL PHOTOS: AURÉLIE RESCH

Lost in the human tide gathered around the Vieux Port of Marseille, I witnessed the delirious enthusiasm that shook the city on Jan. 12. At 7 p.m., the "big clamour" echoed in the sea and the outskirts of Marseille for the opening of Marseille-Provence, the European Capital of Culture for 2013.

Earlier in the day, I walked through Marseille, moving from one exhibit to the next, dipping down into arts, multiculturalism and history.

Since culture should start in the streets, I headed to Les Friches de la Belle de Mai, some five hectares of land once occupied by tobacco and matches factories, looking for some kind of rehabilitation. MP 2013 chose that peculiar place to gather artists and to offer the visitor various forms of art, including graffiti.

I passed by to take a look at some new construction, a rough monument with four floors dedicated to community radio stations, theatre and dance companies, exhibits, a bookstore and a restaurant. Climbing my way up to the roof top — an amazing open space with sculptures, still under development — I spent more time on the first floor. The exhibit reunites various Mediterranean artists through the journey and exile themes.

The moving combination of photos, testimonies, sculptures and films speaks to the heart of any traveller.

Later, through the maze of narrow streets, north of the Vieux Port, I reached the famous museum of La Vieille Charité, where I jumped into the past looking at archeological artifacts and visual reconstitutions of the Masillia Temple in Delphi. It showed one of the earliest monuments of Marseilles, built in Greece, highlighting the tight connection between this region and Greece at the time, revived with Marseilles being granted this 2013 European-cultural title.

Before heading to the newly-built Pavillon M by the city hall, facing the Vieux Port, I visited two fabulous sites.

Created by the very talented Rudy Ricciotti, the MuCEM is an architectural wonder sitting by the Fort St-Jean, steps from the Cathédrale de la Major.

A concrete lace delicately covers the monument dedicated to the arts and to exhibitions from each side of the Mediterranean Sea. The MuCEM is a beautiful place where talent, connoisseurs and the curious crowd like to gather.

Further, right on the docks, replacing the port warehouse, the Local J1 is a wonderful creation where rough industrial and marine materials mix with sophisticated forms of media to support a variety of exhibits.

The Pavillon M is a 3,000 square metre temporary structure dedicated to the program of the year of the European Capital of Culture.

Showcases, happenings, unique exhibitions and meeting with the artist will take place daily to introduce visitors to the events taking place in the region. These offerings not only occur in Marseille, but also in Aix-en-Provence, Arles and other beautiful cities of Provence.

So here I was on this opening night, in the crowd, giving a huge round of applause to Marseille-Provence, the European Capital of Culture for 2013. The excitement around me was contagious and I too felt proud and excited being here.

The fireworks, lights, sounds and water shows on the Vieux Port were just beautiful.

So were the other events around the city. I managed to stay up on my feet and to make my way to various places where I could see acrobats playing "flying angels" above the streets, listen to concertos or watch the street shows. The night would never end.

Neither would 2013 for Marseille-Provence.

**If you go...**

- **More info.** Although Marseilles is the city to visit in 2013 for this big event, don't forget other beautiful towns of Provence, which participated on the project. Check the following website for info on temporary exhibits, happenings and shows. mp2013.fr/?lang=en
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# Impress your dinner guests with easy Pesto-Stuffed Chicken Rolls

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This delicious, elegant and simple dish is perfect for entertaining. The rolls can be left whole, sliced in half or cut into medallions.

For the health-conscious, making your own low-fat version of pesto is preferable, but for this recipe a store-bought version is fine. Buy roasted red peppers packed in water, not oil, or make your own.

**Ingredients**

- 4 skinless, boneless chicken breasts (about 1 lb)
- 2 tbsp light cream cheese, softened
- 1 tbsp pesto
- 2 tbsp roasted red pepper, chopped
- 1 egg
- 2 tbsp water or low-fat milk
- 1/2 cup dry seasoned bread crumbs
- 2 tsp vegetable oil

This recipe serves 4. LORELLA ZANETTI/FROM ROSE REISMAN'S COMPLETE LIGHT KITCHEN

**1.** Preheat the oven to 425 F. Line a baking sheet with foil and spray with cooking oil.

**2.** Working with one at a time, place the chicken breasts between two sheets of waxed paper and pound to an even quarter-inch thickness.

**3.** Stir the cream cheese and pesto together in a small bowl until smooth. Divide the mixture among the chicken breasts, spreading it thinly over the surface. Scatter the red pepper over top. Starting at the short end, roll up each chicken breast and secure with a toothpick or skewer.

**4.** Beat the egg and water together in a shallow bowl, then place the bread crumbs on a plate.

**5.** Spray a large non-stick skillet with cooking oil. Add the oil and place over medium-high heat. Dip each chicken roll in the egg mixture, then coat in the bread crumbs. Cook, turning occasionally, for 3 minutes or until well browned on all sides. Transfer to the prepared baking sheet.

**6.** Bake for 12 to 14 minutes, or until the chicken is cooked through and no longer pink in the centre. Remove the toothpicks and serve chicken rolls whole or slice the rolls into medallions.

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**Drink of the Week**

## Hot Butter Rum

A mix of dark rum, butter, sugar and a pinch of cinnamon is mixed with boiling water for a warming winter drink. The glass is rimmed with cinnamon sugar and a cinnamon stick is used as a garnish.

- 1 oz dark rum
- 1 packet butter
- Pinch cinnamon
- 2 packets sugar
- Hot water
- Cinnamon stick for garnish

Add all ingredients to glass and stir well, melting butter.

Rim coffee glass with cinnamon sugar.

Garnish with cinnamon stick and stir well.

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# Career quandaries for those with disabilities

**Necessary knowledge.** When seeking out the perfect position for you, it's important to do your research and to know your rights

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It is always stressful seeking employment; however, another layer of stress is added, for those with disabilities, when it comes to making a decision on when and whether to disclose that disability to a prospective employer.

Although there is plenty of research that illustrates the potential benefits to an employer of having a diverse workforce that includes persons with disabilities, there are certainly many misconceptions that could stand in your way.

When trying to decide the best way to proceed, it is important to first know the laws and how they can protect you.

**What are your rights, responsibilities and obligations?**

First, take some time to review the Canadian Human Rights Commission website (chrc-ccdp.gc.ca).

You will find on their site information on Duty to Accommodate, A Guide to Creating an Inclusive Workplace, and examples of past cases that are viewed as significant in forming and upholding the Canadian Human Rights Act.

The more you know and understand our laws, the more confident you will feel about what is acceptable and unacceptable behaviour on the part of employers. This will ensure that you know what your rights are and how you can work together with a prospective employer to protect them.

However, regardless of how many laws there are to protect us, we still need to use common sense, instinct and judgment when it comes to any topic that may leave us vulnerable to discrimination.

Thus, I encourage you to do research on prospective places of employment. Seek out companies that have a track record of hiring and supporting individuals with disabilities. Some may have company policies that promote and advocate for a more diverse and inclusive workplace. If you know this in advance, it may impact your decision on whether you disclose a disability and when.

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**Ask around!**

**Know another individual who has a disability and is working at a company that you are interested in?**

- Set up an informational interview to talk about his or her experiences and get some first-hand advice on how he or she handled the job application process and how he or she was treated during and after hiring.

A great place to start your search for career information is Canada's Best Diversity Employers list. ISTOCK

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MLB

## Jays fill out roster with DeRosa

The Toronto Blue Jays signed veteran infielder Mark DeRosa to a $750,000 US, one-year contract on Tuesday and designated right-hander Sam Dyson for assignment.

DeRosa's contract includes a $750,000 club option for the 2014 season.

The 37-year-old batted .188 with five doubles and six RBIs in 48 games for the Washington Nationals last season.

In 1,153 career games over 15 big-league seasons, DeRosa has posted a .270 average with 93 home runs and 458 RBIs.

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NCAA

## Te'o's 'girlfriend' speaks out on hoax

The woman whose photo was used as the "face" of the Twitter account of Notre Dame linebacker Manti Te'o's supposed girlfriend says the man allegedly behind the hoax confessed and apologized to her.

Diane O'Meara told NBC's Today Show on Tuesday that Ronaiah Tuiasosopo used pictures of her without her knowledge in creating a fake woman called Lennay Kekua. Te'o asserts he was tricked into an online romance with Kekua and, until last week, did not understand he was being hoaxed.

O'Meara went to high school in California with Tuiasosopo, but she says they're not close. He called to apologize Jan. 16, the day Deadspin.com broke the hoax story, she said.

"I don't think there's anything he could say to me that would fix this," said O'Meara, a 23-year-old marketing executive in Los Angeles.

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Ducks forward Bobby Ryan scores against goalie Henrik Karlsson of the Flames last April in Calgary. MIKE RIDEWOOD/GETTY IMAGES FILE

# A disappointing but not surprising start

THE HOCKEY NEWS
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At the expense of judging a book by its cover, here are some lasting first impressions of the Calgary Flames in a lockout-shortened 2012-13.

— Disappointing, isn't it, to see big-ticket defenceman Jay Bouwmeester hasn't stepped up his game in the fourth year of a five-year, $33.4-million contract. A league-worst minus-4 through two games, J-Bo is again soft and defenceless in his own end against bigger, more driven opponents. He's still unable to spark any kind of offence from the back end. He still doesn't like to hit (no hits in two games).

What management doesn't get is that opponents continue to take liberties in Calgary's zone because foes know they don't have to pay a physical price. I've said it before and I'll say it again — no team that uses J-Bo as a 1-2 defenceman playing 24-plus minutes a game will ever make the playoffs. Only good thing is J-Bo's average ice time under new coach Bob Hartley is down to 21:10 after three straight years of about 26 minutes under Brent Sutter.

— Not sure why T.J. Brodie didn't make the lineup for the opener. He's smart, creative and was one of just a few players who were active and in game-condition during the lockout.

— It's unfortunate Roman Cervenka and Jiri Hudler weren't available for the first two games. Their offence would have been welcome. Who's going to get scratched when they return? Roman Horak will probably end up in Abbotsford, mainly because he doesn't have to clear waivers. If it were based on performance, softy Matt Stajan or ineffective Blake Comeau would be my picks to go down. I'd keep Steve Begin to stir the fourth line with Blair Jones and Tim Jackman.

— Too early to say if Hartley's new up-tempo style will be successful over the long haul, but it's a marked improvement over Sutter's staid two-dimensional approach to hockey, at least from the standpoint of watching Flames games. The lack of any sort of physical defensive net presence will be a huge, huge issue though.

**Returning forwards**

**Jiri Hudler and Roman Cervenka both returned to Calgary on Tuesday and are set to join the Flames lineup for Saturday's game against the Edmonton Oilers.**

- Hudler had been in the Czech Republic to mourn the death of his father.
- Cervenka is returning from Phoenix after seeing a specialist at the Mayo Clinic about ongoing difficulties with blood clots.

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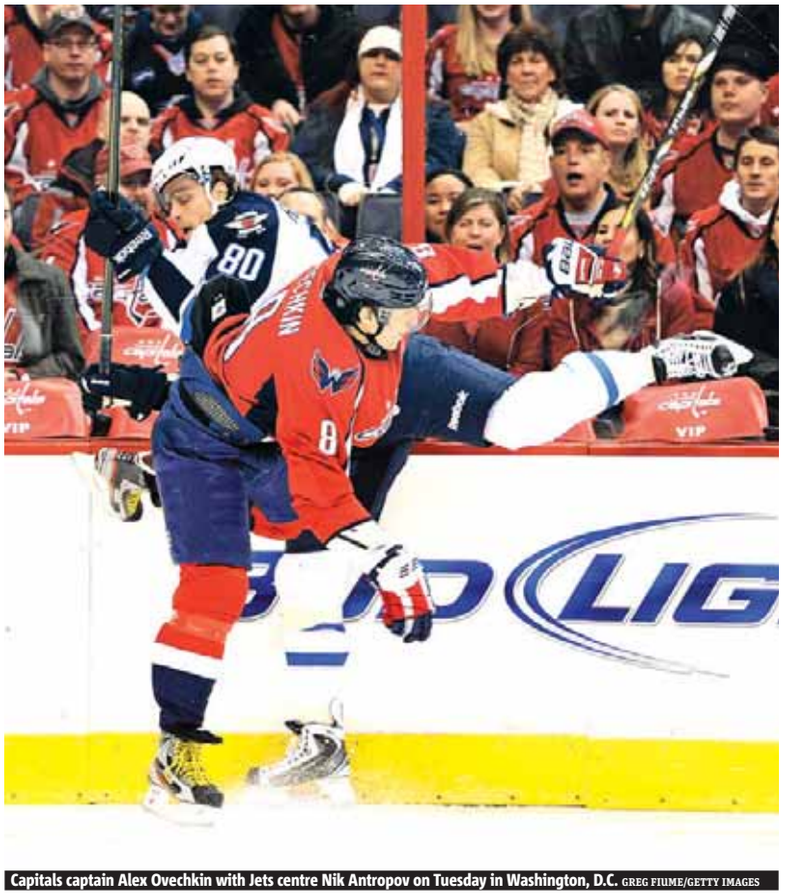

Capitals captain Alex Ovechkin with Jets centre Nik Antropov on Tuesday in Washington, D.C. GREG FIUME/GETTY IMAGES

# Scrappy Jets depart Washington with first win of season

**NHL.** Kane, Wheeler get Winnipeg's offence going vs. Capitals

Evander Kane and Blake Wheeler each provided a goal and an assist, and the Winnipeg Jets suddenly transformed into an offensive juggernaut, beating Alex Ovechkin's struggling Capitals 4-2 on Tuesday night to end Washington's 10-game winning streak in home openers.

Two games and two losses into the lockout-shortened season — and new Washington boss Adam Oates' NHL head-coaching career — Ovechkin doesn't have a goal, the Capitals have been outscored 10-5, and their opponents are 5 for 12 on power plays.

Andrew Ladd and Jim Slater also scored, and Tobias Enstrom had three assists for Winnipeg (1-1-1), which outshot the Capitals 39-34.

The Jets scored only two goals in their first 137 1/2 minutes of play this season. They matched that total with a pair of power-play scores in a four-minute span during the first period on Tuesday.

The Jets led 4-1, until Washington's Troy Brouwer scored on a power play with 76 seconds remaining.

Washington also scored first, on Matt Hendricks' goal about 10 minutes into the game. Ovechkin passed the puck across the ice to Nicklas Backstrom, who sent it toward Hendricks, camped out alone in front of the crease. Hendricks' right skate redirected the puck toward the net, and it also ticked off his stick on the way past goalie Ondrej Pavelec. The goal held up after a video review

The Capitals' lead didn't stand for long. Winnipeg tied it about 2 1/2 minutes later when Kane's attempt to centre the puck wound up in the net behind goalie Braden Holtby.

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**NHL on Tuesday**

- **Devils 3, Flyers 0.** Martin Brodeur made 24 saves for his 120th NHL shutout, Ilya Kovalchuk scored on a short-handed penalty shot, and the Devils won their home opener in front of an enthusiastic sellout crowd.
- **Lightning 4, Hurricanes 1.** Tom Pyatt and Cory Conacher scored early, Ryan Malone added a power-play tally, and Vincent Lecavalier had two assists. The Lightning pulled away with two goals in the third.
- **Canadiens 4, Panthers 1.** Andrei Markov scored two goals and Alex Galchenyuk had the first of his NHL career to help the Canadiens get their first win of the season.


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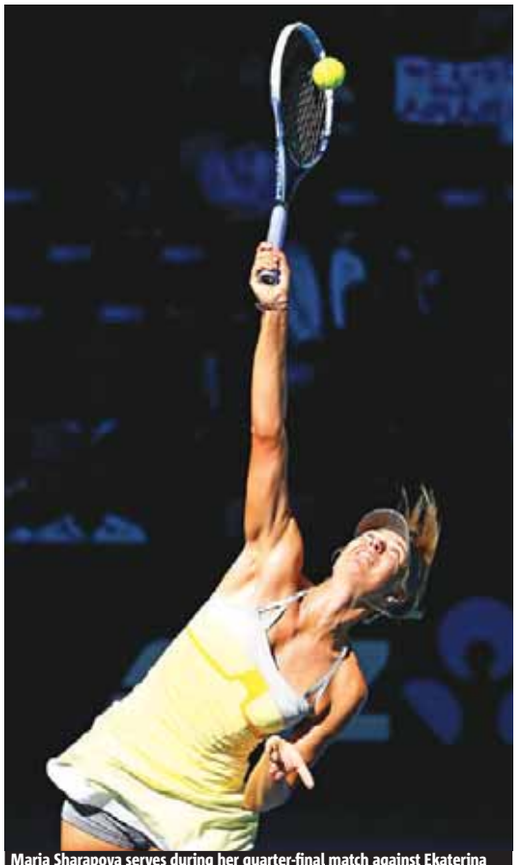

Maria Sharapova serves during her quarter-final match against Ekaterina Makarova in Melbourne on Tuesday. LUCAS DAWSON/GETTY IMAGES

# Sharapova laying the hammer down in women's draw

**Australian Open.** Serena Williams' dominating run at majors ended by teen Sloane Stephens

Maria Sharapova has lost only nine games in five matches on the way to the semifinals at the Australian Open. Always the perfectionist, she sees room for improvement.

Defending champion Novak Djokovic made some improvements of his own later on Tuesday, beating Tomas Berdych 6-1, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4 to advance to a semifinal against David Ferrer.

After needing five hours, two minutes to beat Stanislas Wawrinka in the fourth round Sunday, Djokovic never appeared threatened in his pursuit of a third consecutive Australian Open title. He completed his win over Berdych in exactly half the time of his previous victory.

**Remaining men's quarters**

**On Wednesday, the men's draw features second-seeded Roger Federer facing Jo-Wilfried Tsonga and No. 3 Andy Murray taking on Jeremy Chardy of France.**

Sharapova beat fellow Russian Ekaterina Makarova 6-2, 6-2 on Tuesday and was asked afterward if she'd lost focus in only a few games this tournament.

"No, I'd probably say more," she said, "but that's probably because I'm critical."

If that's the case, she's a pretty tough taskmaster.

After opening with a pair of 6-0, 6-0 wins, Sharapova beat seven-time major winner Venus Williams 6-1, 6-3 in the third round and Belgian Kristen Flipkens 6-0, 6-1 in the fourth.

Her impressive streak comes after having played in no warm-up tournaments because of a right collarbone injury. But after losing to Victoria Azarenka in a lopsided final last year, Sharapova is taking nothing for granted.

"To be honest, those are not the stats you want to be known for," Sharapova said, adding that she was more concerned about adding a fifth Grand Slam title and had spent plenty of time on the practice court.

Sharapova's semifinal opponent will be Li Na, who beat Agnieszka Radwanska 7-5, 6-3 in the first of Tuesday's quarter-finals, breaking the Polish player's 13-match winning streak to start the season.

The quarter-finals on the other half of the draw were Wednesday, with American teen Sloane Stephens upsetting Serena Williams, who was aiming for a third consecutive major title, and Azarenka topping two-time major winner Svetlana Kuznetsova to advance to the semis. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL

## Brodeur shuts out Flyers a 10th time

Martin Brodeur and the New Jersey Devils have started the lockout-shortened season in playoff form. The Philadelphia Flyers seem to have missed the opening bell.

Brodeur made 24 saves for his 120th NHL shutout, Ilya Kovalchuk scored on a short-handed penalty shot, and the Devils won their home opener in front of an enthusiastic sellout crowd with a 3-0 victory over the winless Flyers on Tuesday night.

It was the first meeting between the long-time divisional rivals since New Jersey eliminated Philadelphia in five games in the Eastern Conference semifinals. The Devils again had the Flyers' number and beat them for a fifth straight time.

Travis Zajac and David Clarkson scored first-period goals to provide all the offence Brodeur would need en route to his 10th shutout of the Flyers. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# CTE can be identified in living athletes: Study

A new study has offered the first evidence that CTE, a concussion-related brain disease, can be identified in living athletes, a discovery experts say could change the way professional sports treats concussions and head trauma in players.

Currently, chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE) is diagnosed only after death, using an autopsy. The new findings are a step toward identifying the disease while players are still alive.

"It suggests we're on the right track," UCLA neuroscientist Gary Small, an Alzheimer's specialist and lead author of the study, said in an interview. "We have an approach or a strategy to detect the problem early so we can develop treatments before there's extensive damage."

In the study, published Tuesday in the American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry, UCLA researchers injected a biomarker into five retired NFL players ages 45 to 73 with a history of CTE symptoms, as well as a control group of healthy adults. They then ran all the participants through a brain scan to look for tau proteins, an indicator of CTE, locating significant amounts in the retired players' brains.

Experts believe CTE can develop in athletes after repeated minor head injuries. Symptoms can include depression, dementia, memory loss and suicidal behaviour, according to previous studies.

Signs of chronic traumatic encephalopathy were identified in the brain of Junior Seau, who shot himself to death last year. GETTY IMAGES FILE

Signs of the disease were identified this month in the brain of Pro Bowl linebacker Junior Seau, who fatally shot himself in the chest last year. CTE has also been diagnosed in post-mortem examinations of former NHL enforcers Derek Boogaard and Bob Probert.

Since CTE was first identified about a decade ago, the disease has also been found in brain tissue belonging to dozens of former American and Canadian football players, most notably through research conducted at the U.S.-based Brain Injury Research Institute, which funded Small's research.

The UCLA study uses a biomarker that has been used to track Alzheimer's. According to the study, it is the only imaging substance that can locate tau in living people. This, the authors say, is the first study to apply it to CTE.

Among the players tested, the biomarker revealed excessive amounts of tau in regions of the brain that control emotions and behaviour. Researchers found "a straight line" between the number of concussions the players had suffered and the amount of tau protein in their brains, Small said.

"That goes along with other studies that show if you have three or more concussions, it increases your risk for mild cognitive impairment and depression symptoms," he said.

Small stressed the study is only the first step in studying brain degeneration in living athletes with histories of repeated head trauma. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

## NHL

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

**ATLANTIC DIVISION**

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| Pittsburgh | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 4 | 4 |
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| NY Islanders | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 2 |
| NY Rangers | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 9 | 0 |
| Philadelphia | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 11 | 0 |

**NORTHEAST DIVISION**

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| Ottawa | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 4 |
| Buffalo | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 3 | 4 |
| Boston | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 4 |
| Toronto | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Montreal | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 2 |

**SOUTHEAST DIVISION**

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| Tampa Bay | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 13 | 8 | 4 |
| Winnipeg | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 8 | 3 |
| Florida | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 9 | 2 |
| Washington | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 10 | 0 |
| Carolina | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 0 |

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

**CENTRAL DIVISION**

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| St. Louis | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 6 | 4 |
| Nashville | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 4 |
| Columbus | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 3 |
| Detroit | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 11 | 2 |

**NORTHWEST DIVISION**

| | GP | W | L | OL | GF | GA | Pt |
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| Minnesota | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Edmonton | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| Colorado | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 2 |
| Vancouver | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 10 | 1 |
| Calgary | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 9 | 0 |

**PACIFIC DIVISION**

| | GP | W | L | OL | GF | GA | Pt |
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| Anaheim | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 7 | 4 |
| Dallas | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| San Jose | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| Phoenix | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 10 | 0 |
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**Note:** A team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OL (other loss) column.

**Tuesday's results**
Montreal 4 Florida 1
Winnipeg 4 Washington 2
Chicago 3 St. Louis 2
Colorado 3 Los Angeles 1
Dallas 2 Detroit 1
Nashville 3 Minnesota 1
New Jersey 3 Philadelphia 0
Tampa Bay 4 Carolina 1
San Jose at Edmonton
**Monday's results**
Anaheim 5 Calgary 4
Boston 2 Winnipeg 1 (SO)
Buffalo 2 Toronto 1
Detroit 4 Columbus 3 (SO)
NY Islanders 4 Tampa Bay 3
Ottawa 4 Florida 0
St. Louis 4 Nashville 3 (SO)
**Wednesday's games — All Times Eastern**
Toronto at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Boston at NY Rangers, 7:30 p.m.
Columbus at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Calgary at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
**Thursday's games**
NY Islanders at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Washington, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at Carolina, 7 p.m.
NY Rangers at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Ottawa at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Nashville at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Chicago at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Columbus at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Los Angeles at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.
Phoenix at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

## TENNIS

### AUSTRALIAN OPEN

**At Melbourne, Australia**
**Men's Singles — Quarter-finals**
Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, def. Tomas Berdych (5), Czech Rep., 6-1, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.
David Ferrer (4), Spain, def. Nicolas Almagro (10), Spain, 4-6, 4-6, 7-5, 7-6 (4), 6-2.
**Women's Singles — Quarter-finals**
Maria Sharapova (2), Russia, def. Ekaterina Makarova (19), Russia, 6-2, 6-2.
Li Na (6), China, def. Agnieszka Radwanska (4), Poland, 7-5, 6-3.
**Junior Boy's Singles — Second Round**
**Hugo Di Feo (16), Montreal**, def. Petros Chrysochos, Cyprus, 6-7 (2), 7-6 (2), 6-2.
**Doubles — Second Round**
Jay Andrijic and Bradley Mousley, Australia, def. Hugo Di Feo and **Brayden Schnur (5), Montreal**, 6-3, 7-5.
**Junior Girl's Doubles — Second Round**
Ana Konjuh, Croatia, and **Carol Zhao (1), Richmond Hill, Ont.**, def. Beatriz Haddad Maia, Brazil, and Giulia Pairone, Italy, 6-3, 6-1.
Antonia Lottner, Germany, and **Erin Routliffe (2), Caledon, Ont.**, def. Harriet Dart, Britain, and Hsu Ching-wen, Taiwan, 6-3, 6-2.

## NBA

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

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| Miami | 26 | 12 | .684 | — |
| New York | 25 | 14 | .641 | 1½ |
| Indiana | 26 | 16 | .619 | 2 |
| Brooklyn | 25 | 16 | .610 | 2½ |
| Chicago | 24 | 16 | .600 | 3 |
| Atlanta | 23 | 18 | .561 | 4½ |
| Milwaukee | 22 | 18 | .550 | 5 |
| Boston | 20 | 21 | .488 | 7½ |
| Philadelphia | 17 | 25 | .405 | 11 |
| Detroit | 16 | 25 | .390 | 11½ |
| Toronto | 15 | 26 | .366 | 12½ |
| Orlando | 14 | 27 | .341 | 13½ |
| Cleveland | 11 | 32 | .256 | 17½ |
| Charlotte | 10 | 31 | .244 | 17½ |
| Washington | 9 | 30 | .231 | 17½ |

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Oklahoma City | 32 | 9 | .780 | ½ |
| L.A. Clippers | 32 | 10 | .762 | — |
| San Antonio | 33 | 11 | .750 | — |
| Memphis | 26 | 14 | .650 | 5 |
| Golden State | 25 | 15 | .625 | 6 |
| Denver | 25 | 18 | .581 | 7½ |
| Utah | 22 | 19 | .537 | 9½ |
| Houston | 22 | 21 | .512 | 10½ |
| Portland | 20 | 21 | .488 | 11½ |
| Minnesota | 17 | 21 | .447 | 13 |
| Dallas | 18 | 24 | .429 | 14 |
| L.A. Lakers | 17 | 24 | .415 | 14½ |
| Sacramento | 16 | 26 | .381 | 16 |
| New Orleans | 14 | 27 | .341 | 17½ |
| Phoenix | 13 | 28 | .317 | 18½ |

**Tuesday's results**
Cleveland 95 Boston 90
Detroit 105 Orlando 90
Milwaukee 110 Philadelphia 102
Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers
**Monday's results**
Atlanta 104 Minnesota 96
Brooklyn 88 New York 85
Chicago 95 L.A. Lakers 83
Golden State 106 L.A. Clippers 99
Houston 100 Charlotte 94
Indiana 82 Memphis 81
New Orleans 114 Sacramento 105
San Antonio 90 Philadelphia 85
Washington 98 Portland 95
**Wednesday's games — All Times Eastern**
Atlanta at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Brooklyn at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Denver at Houston, 8 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 8 p.m.
New Orleans at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Washington at Utah, 9 p.m.
Indiana at Portland, 10 p.m.
Phoenix at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

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# The 2013 Nissan Sentra

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## Fuel economy

What the CVT does best is assist on the fuel-economy front. Thus equipped, the Sentra's rating of 6.6 litres per 100 kilometres in the city and 4.9 on the highway beats out the previous 7.6/5.7 numbers. A late-arriving "FE+" option will slightly up the highway ante.

The engine is a 1.8-litre, 130 hp

## 2013 Nissan Sentra

- **Type..** Four-door, front-wheel-drive compact sedan
- **Engine (hp).** 1.8-litre DOHC I4 (130)
- **Transmission.** Six-speed manual; continuously variable
- **Base price (incl. destination).** $16,400

## Engine

Another big plus for the Sentra is that it's close to 70 kilograms lighter than before. That's particularly good news since the standard 1.8-litre four-cylinder engine makes 10 less horsepower and generates 19 pound-feet less torque than the 2.0-litre four-cylinder it replaces.

## Style

From the shape of its grille and the curve of the front fenders, to the roofline that tucks smoothly into a truncated rear deck, the compact Sentra appears as a modestly scaled-down Altima

**Review.** Nissan's baby Altima is all grown up and the family resemblance is uncanny

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Wheelbase Media

If you measure style by the size of your ride and performance by how far it can go on a tank of gas, the 2013 Sentra should positively blow you away.

To misquote Honest Abe Lincoln, you likely can fool most of the people most of the time with Nissan's new Sentra sedan. Whether conducting a walk-around examination or admiring the view from inside, this car gives off a too-big-for-its-britches appearance. Compared to the outgoing model, it's only slightly longer overall and with more space between the front and rear wheels, while surprisingly being a bit narrower. The illusion of more generous proportions is partially due to a 1.5-centimetre overall height reduction. The reshaped body means 15 per cent more trunk space, which is now only slightly smaller than the Altima in that department.

More good news abounds with the Sentra's interior layout that's plenty attractive, especially the straightforward and intuitive dashboard/control panel. There's zero sense that you're riding in a cramped, uncomfortable small car. Rear-seat passengers will also appreciate the generous leg and headroom.

The new Sentra is an overall positive blend of five-passenger ride comfort and quietness, balanced with go-where-its-pointed handling competency. These are all traits that any decent commuter/grocery-getter sedan should possess. Add to that a successful attempt to push fuel economy levels to greater heights and you have a better-than-average urban compact that won't cramp your style, or put a crimp in your wallet.

Leg and headroom in the back and front is ample.

The gauge dials are straight forward and intuitive.

## By comparison

1 Honda Civic
Base price: $16,900

2 Hyundai Elantra
Base price: $17,450

3 Ford Focus
Base price: $17,550

# Tech that! 2013 brings new gadgets

AUTO PILOT
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Last week's auto show in Detroit produced lots of eye candy, but also revealed several crazy new technologies.

Which is obviously the way it should be. Who wants an auto show to reheat the technological equivalent of last night's lasagna?

Here then are two Detroit tech debuts, which smelled and looked quite tasty...

Hyundai's Infiniti Q50 (above) has optional Direct Adaptive Steering while their HCD-14 comes with eye tracking and hand-gesture recognition. CONTRIBUTED

**Direct Adaptive Steering**

Now there are lots of "switchable" steering systems out there — you know, the ones where you can select various modes of sportiness. Those systems typically recalibrate steering ratios, and in some cases, also engine and transmission settings. But the optional Direct Adaptive Steering system on the newly launched Infiniti Q50 is the world's first to also adjust steering "effort." It can do this because the steering wheel and steering column are not actually physically making the adjustments on the steering rack. Electric motors are doing it, according to sensors in the steering wheel — "Drive by wire" so to speak.

Each of the four adjustable settings will ask the steering rack motors to give the driver varying degrees of steering effort, like easy for highway cruising and nice and firm for twisty bits.

And steering wheel inputs can be translated to the wheels faster than ever — virtually at the speed of electricity.

Infiniti Canada's Tim Franklin was one of 30 or so lucky company execs that had a chance to sample the system at Infiniti's proving grounds in Japan. "It changes the whole character of the car, not just the throttle and steering," Franklin told us in Detroit. The other huge advantage, according to Franklin, is that road harshness is not transmitted up through the steering column to the steering wheel, because, well, there is no connection there: "It takes out the trash noises and emphasizes the feedback you want."

**Eye Tracking and Hand-Gesture Recognition**

Deep within the computerized brain of Hyundai's HCD-14, a concept of a future Genesis model, is the intelligence to do "eye tracking and 3D hand gesture recognition." This is how Hyundai figures we can get rid of all the distracting clusters of buttons and knobs on the instrument panels and consuls of today's vehicles — basically Hyundai's vision for the whole human-to-machine interface. Here's how it works: Via a heads-up-display in the windshield, the system shows the driver all the various options in the world of navigation, infotainment, HVAC, Smartphone connectivity, etc. To make your selection you keep your eye on what you want, and then confirm by a thumb button on the steering wheel and/or by making a gesture with your hand. If you selected stereo for instance, you can make it go louder simply by making another hand gesture in space. You don't need to touch anything. I'm not sure if the system will distinguish between these interface-related hand gestures and the ones motorists have traditionally been using to communicate their displeasure with other motorists. We can only assume engineers are working on it.

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## Horoscopes

### ♈ Aries
**March 21 - April 20**
Don't get annoyed if you have to amend your plans at the last moment today. If anything the changes will work in your favor. You of all people should know that few things stay the same for long.

### ♉ Taurus
**April 21 - May 21**
Adopt a confident attitude today and you will accomplish great things. Go your own way and do your own thing and the whole world will look at you as if you are someone special – which, of course, you are.

### ♊ Gemini
**May 22 - June 21**
Your conclusions about other people's motives could be a bit off target over the next 24 hours, so think before you speak. If you don't know all the facts it might be wise to keep your opinions to yourself.

### ♋ Cancer
**June 22 - July 23**
According to the planets your rivals are waiting for a chance to make you look bad but they will only succeed if you say or do something foolish. Be inscrutable: don't let anyone know what is going on inside your head.

### ♌ Leo
**July 24 - Aug. 23**
Something needs to be brought into the open where it can be discussed. If you are wise you will initiate the discussion yourself because that will allow you to set the terms of debate – and that means you'll win.

### ♍ Virgo
**Aug. 24 - Sept. 23**
You must stop chopping and changing. The worst thing that can happen today is that you change your mind and your goals yet again. Identify your number one priority and focus on it to the exclusion of everything else.

### ♎ Libra
**Sept. 24 - Oct. 23**
Keep your emotions in check and try not to take anything too seriously. Today's Mercury-Jupiter link will make it easy for you to see what is important and what is not, and act – or not act – accordingly.

### ♏ Scorpio
**Oct. 24 - Nov. 22**
If you want other people to back what you are doing you will have to convince them that the results will be as good for them as they are for you. It would help, of course, if it's the truth.

### ♐ Sagittarius
**Nov. 23 - Dec. 21**
If you sit back and wait for good things to come your way you will be disappointed, but if you go out and make things happen you will be amazed how easily you get ahead. The choice is (as ever) yours.

### ♑ Capricorn
**Dec. 22 - Jan. 20**
You cannot please everyone but you can please yourself – and you SHOULD please yourself. Whatever else you do over the next 24 hours make sure it makes you feel good. If others feel good too that's a bonus.

### ♒ Aquarius
**Jan. 21 - Feb. 19**
Mercury in your sign will help you get straight to the point today and that is essential as there are important tasks to be completed. It's not enough just to see clearly – you need to communicate clearly too.

### ♓ Pisces
**Feb. 20 - March 20**
You seem a bit fearful at the moment, scared you will either say too much or too little. The answer, of course, is to say what you feel and not care two hoots what other people might think about it. Toughen up.

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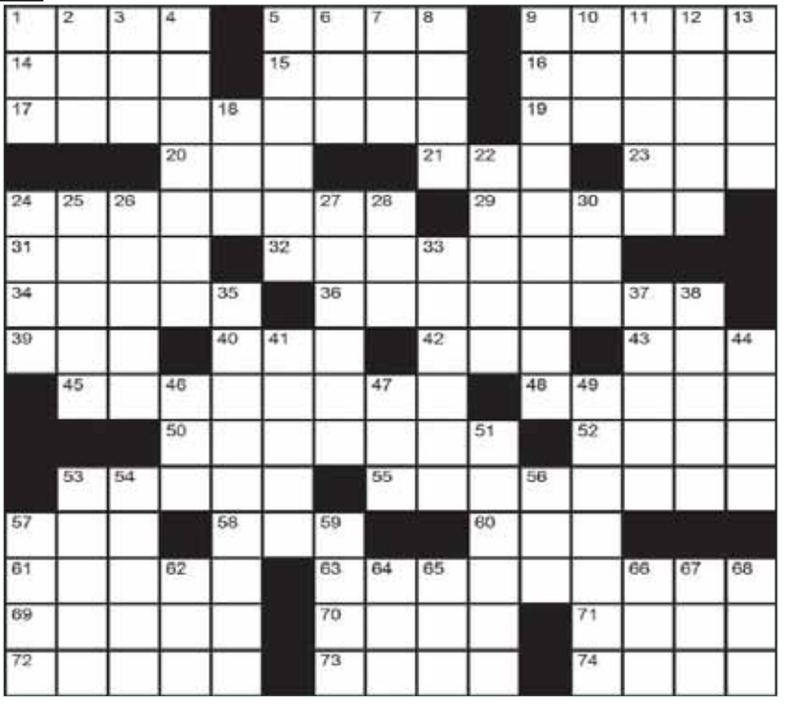
## Crossword: Canada Across and Down

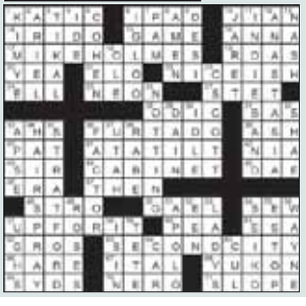
BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



### Across
1. "_ __ Good Men" (1992)
5. Poetry event
9. "The Marilyn __ Show"
14. Ms. Loughlin
15. Care for
16. __ __ Janeiro
17. Quebec City landmark, Le Chateau __
19. Insects sci.
20. Mavericks, on scoreboards
21. "__ be my pleasure."
23. Hosp. professionals
24. __ Blackcomb (BC ski resort)
29. Concur
31. Move, in real estate lingo
32. '90s series, "Road to __"
34. Then: French
36. Party platter item: 2 wds.
39. Polite abbr. in texting
40. Hardwood choice
42. Toy-made dessert, __-Cone
43. '_' __ for Newfoundland
45. Prime Minister Harper's
48. _-__ heels
50. Writer, Henry David __
52. "Is it just __ __..."
53. Bar seat
55. Lorne Michaels' proteges through the yrs: 2 wds.
57. Swiss river, variantly
58. Alphabetic trio
60. Cloth
61. Sniff
63. Tries out for "American Idol"
69. Mr. Mandel
70. Famous vamp.
71. Night: French
72. Lets up
73. Jedi foe
74. 'Kitchen' add-on

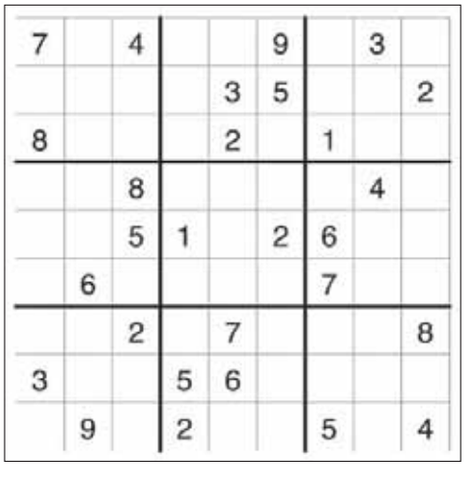
### Down
1. Alien sitcom
2. Pro
3. 'Ranch' suffix
4. Canada's City of Roses
5. Designer Ms. McCartney
6. "Steal My Sunshine" group
7. Actress Ms. Ortiz
8. Gladiator's 1601
9. Gold Rush symbol in the Yukon, a National Historic Site of Canada: __ __. _
10. German article
11. Montreal's __-Dame Basilica
12. '80s hit: "What Have _ __ to Deserve This?"
13. Tiny terms
18. Ink-on-skin pic
22. Jean-__ (Montreal metro station)
24. Sandwich sort
25. AC/DC's "__ Bells"
26. "_ __ my keys!"
27. Conjure upper
28. CBC's "The __ James Show"
30. "Totally awesome."
33. Car company
35. Dramatist of ancient Greece
37. "ER" actress Laura
38. Ornamental edging of loops
41. '60s tune: "You Really Got _ __ on Me"
44. Stock units [abbr.]
46. WWII zone
47. Super __ (Old video game console by Nintendo, commonly)
49. John Lennon anthem
51. Metallica drummer Lars
53. South Pacific island group
54. "Not Ready To Go" by The __
56. Meower
57. Tennis great Arthur
59. Actor George
62. __ detector test
64. William Tell's canton
65. Info, for short
66. Away
67. Puny parasite
68. Jeanne d'Arc, e.g.

## Yesterday's Crossword



## Sudoku

**How to play**
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.



### Yesterday's Sudoku

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 8 | 5 | 6 | 1 |
| 5 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 9 |
| 6 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 8 | 3 |
| 8 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 5 |
| 3 | 9 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| 2 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 9 | 3 | 8 |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 9 | 3 | 5 | 7 |
| 7 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 9 | 4 |
| 4 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 8 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 2 |

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